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SUBJECT: HUMPHREY-HUNG ESPIONAGE CASE

REF: STATE 109237

1. ON MAY 2, GOVERNMENT PROSECUTORS IN THE HUMPHREY-HUNG ESPIONAGE CASE INTRODUCED INTO EVIDENCE TELEGRAMS AND AIRGRAMS DEFENDANTS ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE PASSED TO VIETNAMESE. THESE DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN DECLASSIFIED AND ARE IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

2. PER REFTTEL, DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS CALLED IN LEGAL AFFAIRS OFFICER AKIO HARADA OF JAPANESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 3 TO INFORM HIM OF INTRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS INTO EVIDENCE AND TO MAKE AVAILABLE TEXTS OF FOUR DOCUMENTS AFFECTING JAPAN'S INTERESTS.

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3. HARADA INQUIRED WHETHER STATE DEPARTMENT HAD SOUGHT DELETION OF NAME OF FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL MENTIONED IN TWO OF FOUR DOCUMENTS AS GOJ HAD REQUESTED. HE WAS ASSURED THAT JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, AT OUR REQUEST, HAD ATTEMPTED TO DO THIS BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS. HE THEN ASKED IF IT WERE TOO LATE TO PURSUE THIS REQUEST AND WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS SINCE THE DOCUMENTS ARE ALREADY IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

HARADA THEN ASKED IF WE COULD PROVIDE HIM WITH A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT REQUESTING DELETION OF THE NAME OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL. HE WAS TOLD THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE AT THIS TIME BUT THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO GIVE HIM A COPY AT A LATER DATE.

4. FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION, FOLLOWING ARE DOCUMENTS GIVEN HARADA ON MAY 3:

A. TOKYO 6000 DATED 25 APRIL 1977

B. TOKYO 14131 DATED 21 SEPT 1976

C. TOKYO 4588 DATED 31 MARCH 1977

D. VIENTIANE 0462 DATED 8 MARCH 1977

5. IF APPROACHED BY GOJ, EMBASSY MAY DRAW ON ABOVE AS WELL AS ON GUIDANCE PROVIDED REFTTEL. OTHER QUESTIONS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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